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RESOLUTION NO. 6648

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
RIALTO, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENT TO
REDUCE THE TAX PAYMENTS MADE BY UTILITY USERS
IN THE CITY OF RIALTO FROM EIGHT PERCENT (8%) TO
SIX PERCENT (6%), BUT ONLY UPON PASSAGE AND
IMPLEMENTATION OF MEASURE U RELATING TO A
BUSINESS LICENSE TAX ON WHOLESALE LIQUID FUEL
STORAGE FACILITIES**

WHEREAS, on or about March 5, 2013 at a Special Election, the voters of the City of Rialto voted to extend the utility users tax, currently set at a rate of eight percent (8%) (UUT), for an additional five (5) years to maintain the current level of city service needs for essential capital and maintenance projects, including street maintenance, park enhancements and expansion, and general facility maintenance and expansion; and

WHEREAS, like all other cities in San Bernardino County, the City of Rialto has experienced large reductions in its traditional revenues over the past six years due to the downturn in the economy, including a 20% reduction in property taxes, a 17% reduction in sales taxes, and a 17% reduction in in-lieu property taxes; and

WHEREAS, in the past, the City of Rialto has been able to fund city services from the City's reserves, but the continued use of the City's reserves is unsustainable, thereby necessitating an additional source of revenue to maintain the same level of city services currently being provided; and

WHEREAS, a ballot measure known as Measure U in the upcoming statewide general election on November 4, 2014 proposes to increase business license taxes on wholesale liquid fuel storage facilities in the City of Rialto, which, if approved, is expected to generate approximately \$10 million in revenue annually for the City; and

WHEREAS, Measure U is a general tax not exclusively dedicated to any purpose but may be used by the City in its general fund budget for any and all necessary expenses; and

WHEREAS, if Measure U is approved by the voters of the City of Rialto, then the City will have an additional source of revenue to support city services, thereby allowing the City to reduce the current rate of UUT from 8% to six percent (6%); and

1 **WHEREAS**, through this resolution, the City Council of the City of Rialto declares its desire
2 and intent to reduce the current rate of UUT from 8% to 6%, but only if Measure U is approved by the
3 voters of the City Rialto and implemented; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the City Council further declares that this Resolution is not part of Measure U,
5 but, instead, represents a declaration of the City Council's intent, which is not legally binding.

6 **NOW, THEREFORE**, the City Council of the City of Rialto does hereby resolve, declare,
7 and determine as follows:

8 **Section 1.** The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by
9 reference.

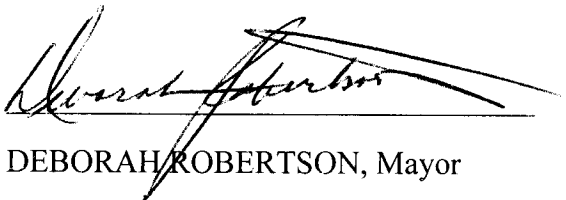
10 **Section 2.** If Measure U is approved by the voters of the City of Rialto and implemented,
11 then the City will have an additional source of revenue to support city services.

12 **Section 3.** The City Council of the City of Rialto intends to reduce the current rate of UUT
13 from 8% to 6%, but only if Measure U is approved by the voters of the City of Rialto at the next
14 general election on November 4, 2014 and implemented. Said reduction, if any, shall be made by a
15 separate action in compliance with statutory law.

16 **Section 4.** Nothing in this Resolution shall be deemed to be a part of Measure U or legally
17 bind City to take any action hereunder.

18 **Section 5.** The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and
19 enter it into the book of the original resolutions.

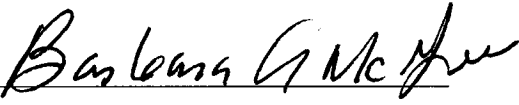
20 **PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of October, 2014.**

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24 DEBORAH ROBERTSON, Mayor

1 ATTEST:

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BARBARA A. McGEE, City Clerk

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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FRED GALANTE, City Attorney

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1 STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
2 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO) ss
3 CITY OF RIALTO)

4 I, Barbara A. McGee, City Clerk of the City of Rialto, do hereby certify that the foregoing
5 Resolution No. 6648 was duly passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the
6 City of Rialto held on the 14th day of October, 2014.

7 Upon motion of Council Member Baca Jr., seconded by Council Member Hirtz, the foregoing
8 Resolution No. 6648 was duly passed and adopted.

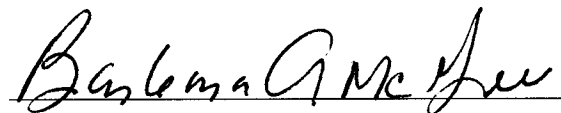
9 Vote on the motion:

10 AYES: Mayor Robertson, Council Members: Palmer, Baca Jr., O'Connell, Hirtz

11 NOES: None

12 ABSENT: None

13 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the Official Seal of the City
14 of Rialto this 21st day of October, 2014.

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17 Barbara A. McGee, City Clerk
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